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**GO BIRDS!!**

## ONE STOP SHOP

For the residents impacted by last week's plane crash in Philadelphia, numerous state agencies and the City of Philadelphia have opened a Multi-Agency Resource Center. The center is located at the Scattergood Building of Friends Hospital on Roosevelt Boulevard and open from 1-5:30pm. Residents can find services from the City in addition to the Departments of Health, Human Services, Revenue, Transportation, Insurance, and PEMA. Some of the services that can be found at the location include information about lost birth certificates, checking insurance coverage for damages, benefits and disability support, etc.

## BIPARTISAN FLU FIGHT

Yesterday, Governor **Josh Shapiro** signed into law House Bill 324 (Cepeda-Freytiz), which is intended to combat the spread of avian flu in the Commonwealth by increasing the number of certified poultry technicians. The bill updates the poultry technician licensure law to allow non-citizen residents to get their certification upon completing the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture training course. The bill stipulates that non-citizens must be legally authorized to work in the United States to receive the training.

## CHAIR OFF

This weekend, Pennsylvania Republicans will meet in Cumberland County to elect the party's new leader. State Senator **Greg Rothman** and Lehigh Valley businessman **Bill Bachenberg** are the two candidates. The winner of this week's race will replace **Lawrence Tabas**, who is stepping down as GOP Chair. Bulter and Wayne County's GOP chairs have publicly endorsed Bachenberg, while Rothman has been endorsed by PA GOP vice chair **Bernie Comfort** and U.S Senator **Dave McCormick**.

## RED BULL GIVES YOU

A tractor trailer carrying a load of energy drinks overturned yesterday due to icy road

conditions. The truck overturned on Route 322 in Perry County. The driver was able to free himself and was taken for medical evaluation. *Unfortunately, those with caffeine addictions are off to a rough start on a Friday...*

## **BRUH MOMENT**

**Elon Musk** claimed on Monday that he had “deleted” 18F, the government agency behind the IRS’s Direct File program. The announcement sparked confusion about the program’s availability, but an IRS insider confirmed Direct File is still up and running this tax season. While 18F’s X account disappeared, both its website and the Direct File site remained functional. The IRS previously announced plans to make the free electronic filing system permanent and asked all 50 states and the District of Columbia to participate in 2025.



### *Happy Birthday*

#### **Today:**

- Former State Senator **John C. Rafferty, Jr.**
- Former State Representative **Kevin J. Boyle**
- **Liz Gallo** National Account Manager, American Track

#### **Saturday:**

- U.S Congressman **John Joyce**
- State Representative **Dan Williams**
- **Caroyln Green** Chief of Staff, Office of Child Development & Early Learning
- **Joe Martin**
- **Barbara Petito** Lead Communications Specialist, Amtrak

#### **Sunday:**

- State Representative **Dan Miller**
- State Representative **Ben Waxman**
- Former State Senate President Pro Tempore **Robert Jubelirer**
- Former State Representative **Gene McGill**
- Former State Representative **Maria Donatucci**
- **Carol Aichele** Former Secretary, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
- **Barry L. Wickes** Director of Legislative Affairs, PA Department of Community & Economic Development
- **Peter Calcara** VP of Government Relations, PA Institute of Certified Public Accountants



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